

**BEFORE THE  
WEST VIRGINIA ETHICS COMMISSION  
PROBABLE CAUSE REVIEW BOARD**

**IN RE:**

**BILL PAULEY**  
Mayor, Town of Marmet

**VCRB 2013-49 and VCRB 2013-53**

**PROBABLE CAUSE ORDER**

On this date, the Probable Cause Review Board, having investigated and considered the allegations set forth in Verified Complaint No. 2013-49 and Verified Complaint No. 2013-53, unanimously finds that there is probable cause to believe that Respondent Bill Pauley violated the provisions of the Ethics Act as follows:

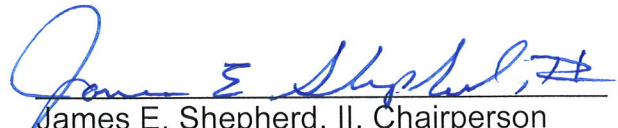
**Count One:** That Respondent used his public office for his own private gain in violation of West Virginia Code § 6B-2-5(b) by attempting to register ineligible voters after the registration deadline and by instructing poll workers to accept ineligible voters' votes to assist him in winning re-election as Mayor.

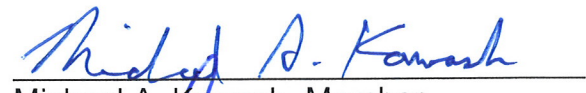
**Count Two:** That Respondent used his office for his own private gain in violation of West Virginia Code § 6B-2-5(b) by providing voters with pre-completed sample ballots and/or lists of his preferred candidates to influence votes to vote for him for re-election.

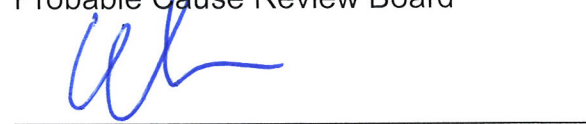
**Count Three:** That Respondent used his office for his own private gain in violation of West Virginia Code § 6B-2-5(b) by directing the town's software provider to write a check from the town's funds payable to him personally for hourly wages for working at the Town's bingo games from August 2010 through May 2012 without authority to do so.

In accordance with West Virginia Code § 6B-2-4(f), the Commission staff is hereby ORDERED to prepare a Statement of Charges and to schedule this matter for a public hearing to determine the truth or falsity of the charges.

Date Entered: 6/30/15

  
James E. Shepherd, II, Chairperson  
Probable Cause Review Board

  
Michael A. Kawash, Member  
Probable Cause Review Board

  
Daniel J. Guida, Member  
Probable Cause Review Board

**BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA ETHICS COMMISSION**

**In re:**

**BILL PAULEY,**

**Mayor,**

**Town of Marmet**

**Complaint Nos. VCRB 2013-049 and  
VCRB 2013-053**

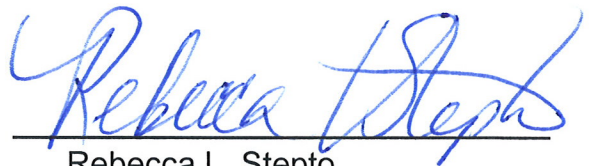
**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Rebecca L. Stepto, Executive Director of the West Virginia Ethics Commission,  
do hereby certify that on this 30th day of June, 2015, I served a true and complete copy  
of the foregoing **PROBABLE CAUSE ORDER** upon:

Bill Pauley  
9403 MacCorkle Avenue  
Marmet, WV 25315  
(via certified mail, return receipt requested, and via U.S. Mail)

and

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